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## NEW MOOSE JAW WOODEN TOKEN

The wooden nickel influence is spreading in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. Several years ago, L. H. "Scoop" Lewry took up the hobby of collecting wooden nickels after he had served several terms as mayor of his native city. Lewry could be seen at any function at any time giving away his wooden nickels which at times advertised the 75th anniversary of his city, his own 60th birthday, the 75th anniversary of the province of Saskatchewan, the birth of a grandchild, his wife's nurses convention in Moose Jaw, the World junior curling competition, and other events, for a total of twelve different issues in three years.

A few weeks ago he was asked by Constable Merv. Ellingson, a 16-year veteran of the Moose Jaw City Police force, where he got his wooden nickels. Ellingson is co-ordinator for the police department's crime prevention unit. The unit has been talking to school children, teenage groups and even kindergarten youngsters about crime prevention. The unit had developed a badge which they gave away to youngsters. "It was something that developed communication," Ellingson explained. The badges were part of that communication system, along with colouring books. But the props became too expensive, so Ellingson was looking for something that could be obtained in the thousands at a smaller expense. That was when he became interested in wooden nickels.

*Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors is \$5 per calendar year & should be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer, Bruce Watt, 1153 Northridge St., Oshawa, Ont., L1G 3P3*







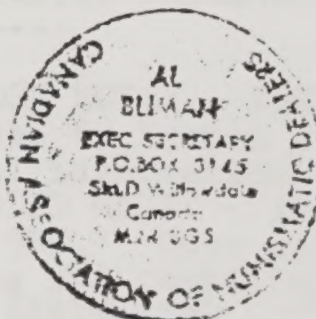
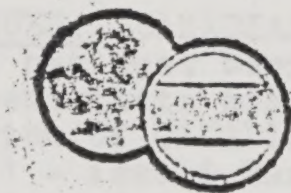
So now the Moose Jaw Crime Prevention Unit has 10,000 wooden nickels! The obverse of the wood shows the famous Moose Jaw "moose" logo and the words "WOODEN NICKEL COMPLIMENTS OF MOOSE JAW CITY POLICE". The reverse has the logo of the Crime Prevention Unit, "WORKING TOGETHER TO PREVENT CRIME", with the heads of a male and a female child and a policeman over a police shield, representing everyone working to prevent crime.

The wooden nickels will replace the badges and, who knows, there may be a whole new generation of wooden money collectors in Moose Jaw. Ellingson says even the provincial police commission is interested in the wooden nickel promotion.



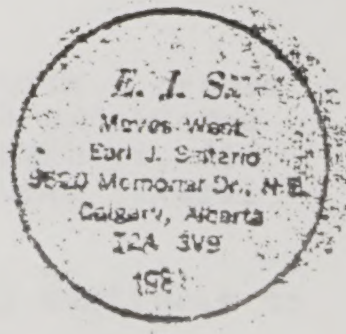
NEW MILTON WOOD: Received the following note from Norm Wells; "Over Xmas I received a letter from Mrs. Rayner who, with her husband, has issued these woods for the Steam-Era. They still have a few left from last year and asked me if I would look after sending out these spares. Mrs. Rayner said she is too busy to do this again and so is sending me a few to sell. So would you please put an ad in Timber Talk: Steam-Era Woods for

sale from Norm Wells, P. O. Box 943, Peterborough, Ontario, K9J 7A5. Price 2 for \$1.00 plus SASE (No Singles). Also a few of the 1980 available, same price. Mrs. Rayner says DO NOT SEND TO MILTON, ONTARIO."



FROM AL BLIMAN: The following two woods were issued by Al Bliman, Executive Secretary of the Canadian Association of Numismatic Dealers, who lives in Willowdale, Ontario. The logo on the obverse of both woods is red and black while the reverse of one is red and black and the reverse of the other is all red. A total of fifty of each were made, but only 26 sets were issued; the rest were given individually by Al to his family.

E. J. S. MOVES WEST: The wood shown at right was issued with a black logo and green reverse, in a quantity of only 100 by Earl J. Salterio, formerly of Fredericton, New Brunswick, to celebrate his job transfer to Calgary. The reverse text reads E. J. S. Moves West Earl J. Salterio. 5520 Memorial Dr. N. E., Calgary, Alberta, T2A 3V9 1981. These woods are available from Earl for 50¢ each plus SASE from the above address.

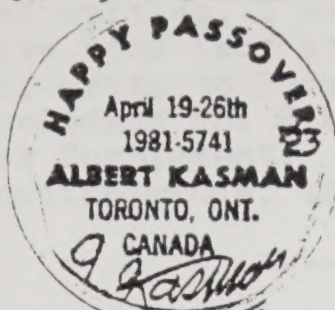








FROM ALBERT KASMAN, P. O. Box 73, Station "T", Toronto, Ontario, M6B 3Z9, comes this new 1981 Passover wood, in numbered and unnumbered varieties.



Albert advises that he will trade them wood for wood (Canadian woods only) plus SASE, to a limit of 5. The woods are printed in green ink.

SECOND GRANDCHILD WOODS in Blue ink have been issued by Howard and Grace Harris, Shadow Hill Farm, 501 Montée Paiement, Gatineau, Québec, J8R 1N3. These were issued February 3, 1981 in a quantity of 500 and are available to anyone who wants one, at 50¢ each



COIN WEEK CANADA WOOD: Shown at right is a new wood issued in black ink by Frank Harding. Frank says he plans on giving them away at the Saskatoon Coin Club Meeting and coin shows in Regina and Calgary. Frank will also trade for other woods issued for Coin Week Canada. Write to Frank at P. O. Box 536, Delisle, Saskatchewan, SOL OPO.

NEW WELLS SUPPLEMENT ISSUED: CANADIAN WOODEN MONEY - TOKENS AND SOUVENIRS, SUPPLEMENT NO. 2 - 1981, has just been issued by Norman E. Wells. In Norm's own words, "This supplement lists additional information and corrections to be added to the 2nd Edition of CANADIAN WOODEN MONEY - Issued June, 1979, and also Supplement No. 1 - issued March, 1980." Once again, Norm Wells has done his usual thorough job of investigating and compiling information on new issues, newly discovered 'old' issues, and additional information on previously listed wooden money.

The new Supplement, outweighing last year's fifty-two page issue, is packed with sixty-six pages of information and illustrations to keep the collector and student of Canadian wooden tokens up to date. Altogether 202 additional woods are listed, of which 169 are new or revised issues, and another 24 old wooden money issues that have just surfaced during the year. The Supplement also apprises us of the existence of another nine "unofficials" or "reissued woods".

Norm states, "1980 was a banner year for the CAWMC, what with a record number of woods as well as several new members added to what is considered THE FUN GROUP OF CANADIAN NUMISMATICS"; also one of our new members, Jim Delaney, started up 'Delaney's Wooden Nickel Company' and produced several of the new Canadian woods for various clubs and members.

Supplement No. 2 is not being sold separately, but is only available to



FROM ALBERT KAMAR, P. O. Box 77, Station "T", Toronto, Ontario, M5S 1B7.  
These cards are 1951 Canadian wood, in numbered and unnumbered varieties.



Albert Kamars that he will trade them with you wood (Canadian wood only).  
The cards, as a limit of 5. The cards are printed in green ink.



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collectors who have purchased the Second Edition of Canadian Wooden Money. At the time of writing, I believe that Norm still has a couple of copies of this definitive book left at \$20.00 each, also Supplement no. 1 at \$3.50. If interested, write to Norm Wells at P. O. Box 943, Peterborough, Ont., K9J 7A5. Supplement No. 2 has been mailed to possessors of the original book and first Supplement. The price is \$5.00 or 20 wooden nickels (Official Canadian woods, that is). Norm will accept multiples of 5 of the same type.

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WORK WEARHOUSE WOOD NON-EXISTENT: While sitting in a restaurant near work, one morning, last week, listening to a commercial for the Work Wearhouse clothing stores here in Calgary, your Editor had his attention suddenly arrested by hearing the phrase "wooden nickels". Thinking that, here perhaps was a brand new issue of wooden nickel, I phoned the head office of Work Wearhouse, in Calgary, and spoke with Mr. Carl Fodor, Vice-president of Marketing for Canada.

Mr. Fodor informed me that not only had the firm NOT issued any actual woods but that, until I phoned, he was not aware that real wooden nickels actually existed. In fact, the term "wooden nickel" had been represented to him as being synonymous with "not worth anything" and the firm had therefore used the phrase as part of their "Payday" promotion whereby customers are given envelopes containing coupons for items. The majority of these coupons are printed with the phrase "wooden nickel", meaning that they are not worth anything.

Following our conversation, I sent Mr. Fodor several examples of woods, along with copies of Timber Talk - including background information on ordering woods (a not too subtle hint). Perhaps the firm will someday issue some real wooden nickels.

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ELECTIONS: CAWMC will hold its election during the CNA Annual Convention, which is to be held at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto from July 24 to 26, 1981. Ballots will be mailed to current members (as I have been advised by the Secretary-Treasurer) with the May issue of Timber Talk, so that members will have sufficient time to mail them before our meeting which is scheduled for the Sunday morning of the Show.

Enclosed with this issue you will find a nomination form. Every two years, we hold elections for officers. Positions to be filled are: President, Vice-president, Secretary-Treasurer, Editor, and five positions on the Board of Governors (the sixth member of the Board of Governors and Chairman is the Past President). Please send your nominations NOW to the Chief Returning Officer, Mr. Don Robb, Box 724, Waterloo, Ontario, N2J 4C2.

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NEW MEMBERS: The Canadian Association is pleased to welcome the following new members to our ranks:

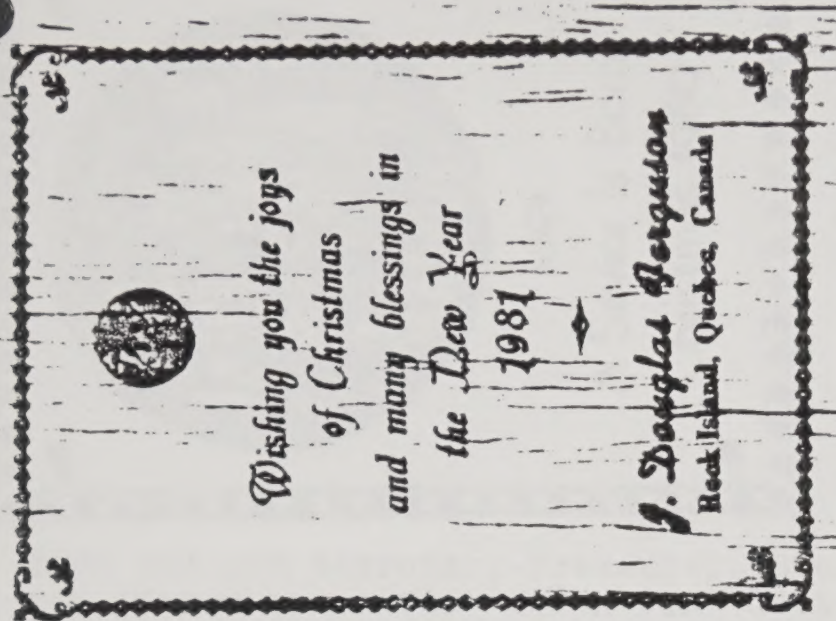
- R246 - Arnold Hall, # 905 - 505 - 4th Ave., S. W., Calgary, Alberta
- R247 - K. W. Wilmot, Box 76, Sebringville, Ontario, NOK 1X0
- R248 - Joan Marie Gordon, P. O. Box 937, Waterloo, Ontario, N2J 4C3
- R249 - Russell Brown, 7 Cartier Cres., Richmond Hill, Ontario, L4C 2M9
- R250 - Wm. J. Kennedy Sr., 5373 Seabeck Hwy N.W., Bremerton, WA 98310, U. S. A.
- R251 - Joe M. Green, 5307 Link # 110, Austin, Texas 78751, U. S. A.
- R252 - Anne L. James, 46 White Hall Rd., Toronto, Ontario, M4W 2C6



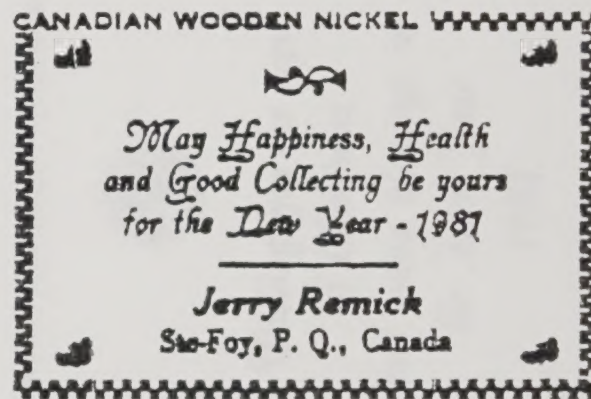




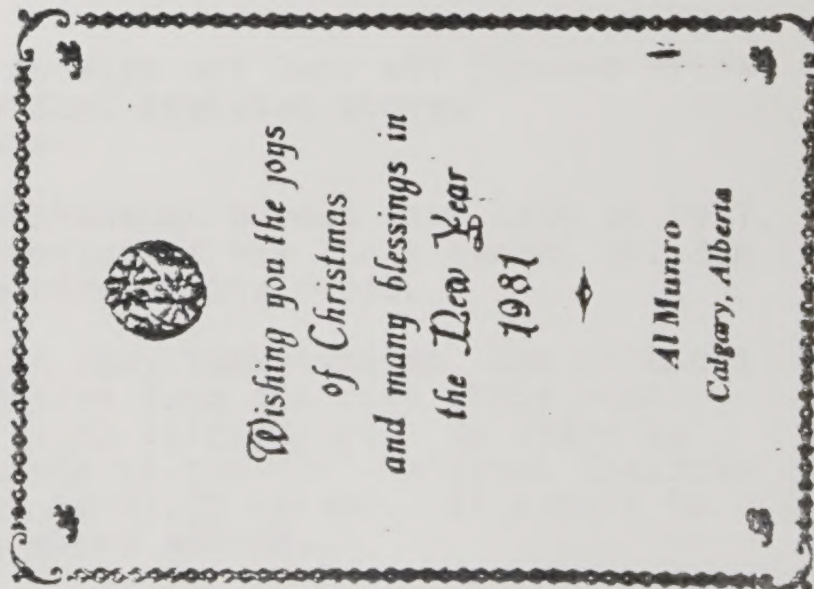
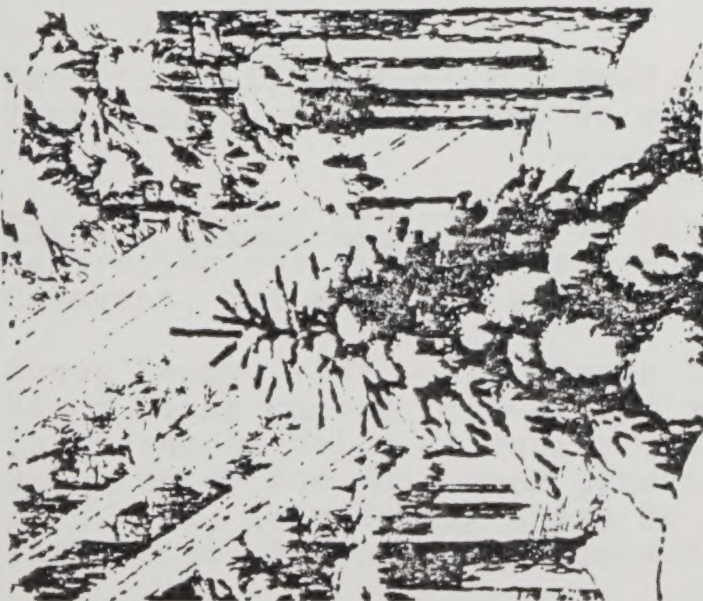
MORE CHRISTMAS WOODS: As promised last month, I am listing here more of the 1980 Christmas woods received.



The above flat was issued by J. Douglas Ferguson, who may be contacted at Twin Towers, 508 South, 2020 N. Atlantic Ave., Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931, U. S. A., until Spring arrives in mid-April. Your Editor is not sure if any are for sale or trade to collectors.



This flat was issued by popular coin columnist Jerome Remick of Ste Foy, Québec. I'm not sure if these are publicly available, so if interested I suggest you write and ask Jerry at Box 9183, Ste Foy, Qué., G1V 4B1.



Al Munro, 36 Marcomb Pl. N. E., Calgary, Alberta issued the Christmas flat shown above. Al states that he has a few left, which he is willing to trade for other Christmas flats from members.

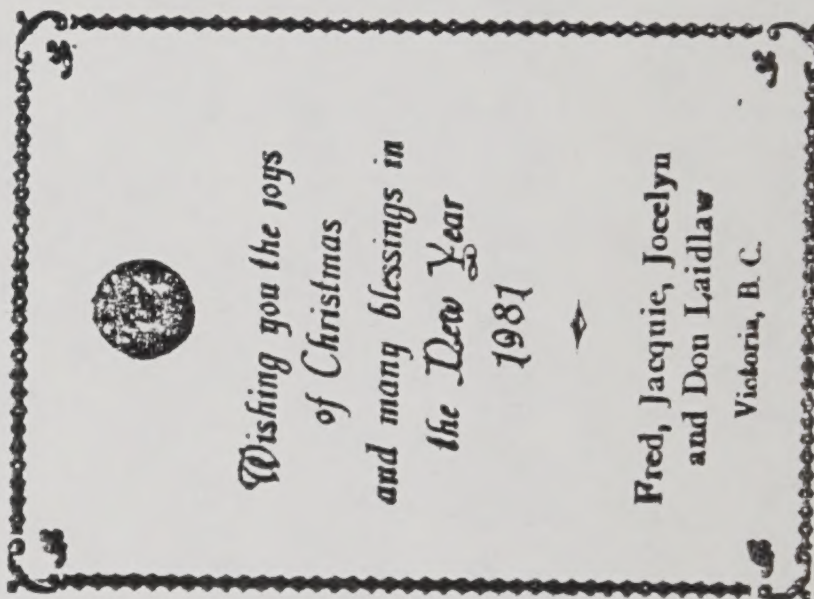
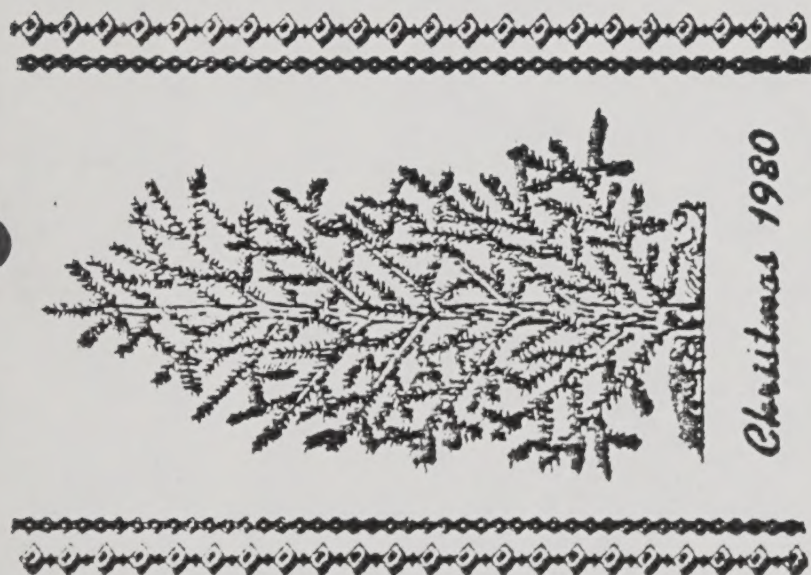
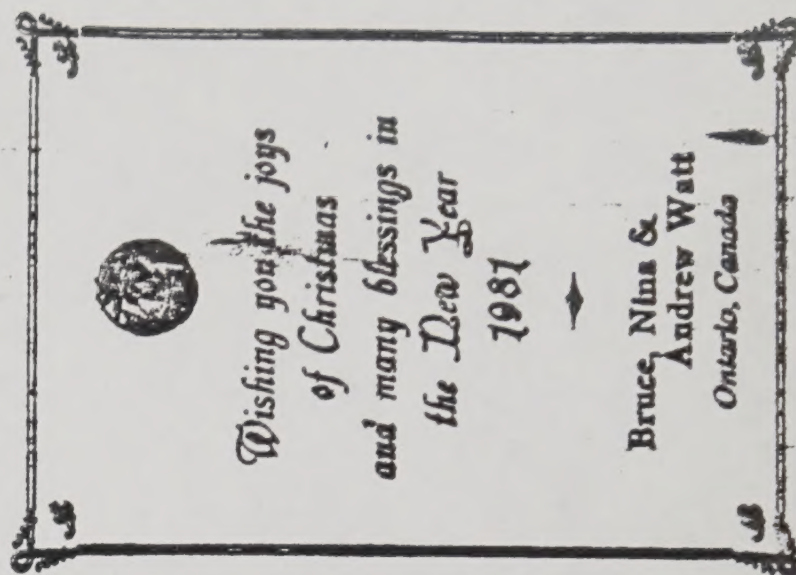








From our own Secretary-Treasurer, Bruce Watt, his charming wife Nina, and son Andrew comes the wooden flat depicted above. As no information came with the wood, I do not know if it is generally available or not.



From the Laidlaw family - Fred, Jacquie, Jocelyn and Don, 467 Forward Drive, Victoria, B. C.? V9C 1B8, we received the flat depicted above.

The OLD WOODEN NICKEL INN in Nipawin, Saskatchewan burned down late in 1977, destroying not only the wooden money collection of the Inn's owner, Mr. Ron Casavant, but also all stock of the Inn's advertising woods.

Scoop Lewry, 1161 - 3rd Avenue N. W., Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, has obtained 24 of Wells number 7540-2, badly smoke stained from the fire (this wood is listed by Wells at rarity 3 - obtained with difficulty). In order to raise money for Coin Week Canada, Scoop - who is the 1981 National Chairman of C.W.C., is offering these 24 at a price of \$5.00 apiece. If anyone is interested, Scoop can be contacted at the above address.



